

W9JOZ

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Field day for Ares & Races in
Marshall County on April 14.

First fox hunt of the year this month.

Dave kc8obh



Meetings are at the Henry F. Schricker
Library on the third Thursday of each month,
with the exception of December.

The library is located on west Culver Road,
two blocks west of Highway 35.



Are you on the air?

QSL CARDS

If you have QSL Cards that need to be
checked for an ARRL Award, contact John
and he will put you in contact with an
ARRL Card Checker in our area.
Steve, KD9HL is the card checker.

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Events

Meeting at Knox Community Center Corner of Pearl and Lake Street

April 21st

Time will be 7:00 pm

Birthdays

April 5 - Paul, N9QYK

April 7 - Levi, WB9CAO

If your birthday has not been listed, it is because I do not have the date for it. If you would like it to be included in a newsletter, please email me the date. Thanks w3ml@w3ml.com

Starke County Amateur Radio Club Weekly 2 Meter Net is on every Saturday at 8:00 p.m. Central time.

DAY OF WEEK: Saturday 8:00 p.m. Central time

HOST: KN9OX Repeater

FREQUENCY: 145.410 - 600

PL TONE: 131.8

For Sale Items

Very Few Items Left From Last Collection of K9QA Gear.
If you see something on his list that you would like make me an offer.

See all the For Sale Items at
<http://www.w9joz.org/forsale.htm>

There are a lot of them there. Updated regularly.
See the For Sale Page on the Club website. If you have items to sell email me a list with prices and contact information.

Notice for 2022

****** Dues for 2022 remain at only \$12.00 a year. ******

Paid Members for 2022:

- 1. Bob, KD9IHY**
- 2. Jack, WA9ZTP**
- 3. Linda, KC8PKY**
- 4. Bryan, KE9ML**
- 5. Levi, WA9CAO**
- 6. Paul, N9QYK**
- 7. Ed, KD9MVW**
- 8. David, KC9OBH - President**
- 9. John, W3ML - Secretary/Treasurer**
- 10. Tom, W9QN**
- 11. Bart, KC9FQA**
- 12. Steve, KB9GPW**
- 13. Bill, K9BZM**
- 14. Richard, K9ILU**
- 15. Nita, KC9PM**
- 16. Jim, WB9UAR**

Please be a member and pay your dues for 2022.

Dues may be mailed to:

**John Poindexter
204 South Main St.
Knox, IN 46534**

Checks can be made out to the Starke County Amateur Radio Club. \$12.00

John W3ML

Dues for 2022 still only \$12.00

We had over a dozen members not pay dues in 2020 & 2021. It would be nice to have them back in 2022.

For Sale

Wayne, K9KFT is selling these items because of huge medical bills.

1. Heathkit 6 meter Amplifier 900 - 1000 watts. \$800.00



2. Daiwa CN-801 20 and 2000 watt SWR/Power Meter \$100.00



Selling Everything - It All Must Go

Paul, N9QYK is selling off all his stuff he has collected over the years. If you are interested in knowing what he has, give him a call at 574-772-2021.

Tom, W9QN sent this in:

NASA On The Air (NOTA) Special Event Stations

There is an Amateur Radio club established at many NASA field centers across the USA. Their members gather together to highlight NASA milestones the way such events are done best. That is, through radio. These club members are made up of civil servants, contractor personnel, retirees and recognized community members. Some clubs are large and well supported, some are small and struggle. But they have a common goal to show their support to NASA and space fans everywhere by highlighting the history of some amazing accomplishments.

The first NASA On The Air (NOTA) special event of the year will be held on

[Saturday, April 23](#), through [Wednesday, April 27](#), to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Apollo 16 mission to the moon. Different NASA radio clubs will go on the air at different times to make two-way contacts with fellow space enthusiastic ham radio operators.

For the list of suggested frequencies, modes, points scoring, rules, certificates, procedures and news, please visit NasaOnTheAir.wordpress.com each day.

Be sure to watch for posts on [Twitter.com/NASARadioClubs](https://twitter.com/NASARadioClubs) (a Twitter account is NOT required to view) for late breaking news updates -- and don't forget your favorite spotting network -- for NOTA activity live and in real time.

For QSL card information, please check the QRZ.com page for each individual NASA club callsign.

[ANS thanks Pat Kilroy, N8PK, NASA Engineer and AMSAT Ambassador for the above information]

INDIANA QSO PARTY 2022

The purpose of the **Indiana QSO Party** (INQP) is to encourage contact with Indiana amateur radio stations by other Indiana hams and hams worldwide. Stations outside of Indiana work Indiana stations only. Indiana stations work everybody, including other Indiana stations. See the [rules](#) for the rest of the details.

INQP 2022 takes place May 7-8-(the first Saturday in May).

The [2022 rules](#) are now available.

Please announce your operating plans on the email reflector (inqp@groups.io). You can see what others have planned on the [Activity Map](#).

Worked All Indiana Award

The INQP is a great time to work on your [Worked All Indiana Award](#). It only takes 60 confirmed counties to earn the initial certificate. Your INQP QSOs count as confirmed QSOs toward your WAI. Just indicate the INQP QSOs on your GCR, and we'll use your submitted log to confirm the QSOs.

<http://www.hdxcc.org/inqp/>

No More Indianapolis Hamfest

This was sent out announcing the end of the hamfest.

April 4, 2022

Greetings,

I wanted to take an opportunity to express sincere thanks from all of the Indianapolis Hamfest staff to everyone who has supported our show for the past 50 years. Without your support we would have died years ago.

As many of you may know, much of our staff have been around for many decades, perhaps too many decades. Most of the current staff members are on the other side of 70 years old and felt it was time to pass the baton. To that end, in 2019 a campaign was started in an attempt to recruit new members. There were no takers except one. Andy Swanson, KC9SKV felt very strongly that the hamfest should go on. He made a valiant attempt to recruit others to help continue the show, but He too found that everyone wants it, but no one wants to be involved.

So, it is with great regret that at this time there will be NO Indianapolis Hamfest in 2022.

Is it possible that the hamfest will return in 2023? At this time there is no firm plan in place. We realize that we may well lose our place in the hamfest circuit, but unfortunately this is our loss. In closing, thank you to the major vendors for your many years of support and we wish you the very best for your future. Until we meet again.

73,
Mike Sercer, WA9FDO
General Chairman.

Like satellites?

Interactive. You can select satellites. Move time forward and backward. Click on any of the tiny dots in the cloud view and it draws the orbit and identifies the satellite.

<https://celestrak.com/cesium/orbit-viz.php?tle=/pub/TLE/catalog.txt&satcat=/pub/satcat.txt&referenceFrame=1>

New FCC Application Fee

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ARLB011 New FCC Application Fee Will Not Apply to Amateur Radio License Upgrades

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ARRL Bulletin 11 ARLB011
From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT
[April 5](#)
, 2022
To all radio amateurs

SB QST ARL ARLB011
ARLB011 New FCC Application Fee Will Not Apply to Amateur Radio License Upgrades

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) staff has clarified in response to an ARRL request that the new \$35 application fee will not apply to most license modifications, including those to upgrade amateur radio licensee's operator class and changes to club station trustees. The FCC staff explained that the new fees will apply only to applications for a new license, renewal, rule waiver, or a new vanity call sign. As previously announced, the new fees take effect on April 19, 2022.

"We are pleased that the FCC will not charge licensees the FCC application fee for license upgrade applications," said ARRL Volunteer Examiner Coordinator (VEC) Manager Maria Somma, AB1FM. "While applicants for a new license will need to pay the \$35 FCC application fee, there will be no FCC charge for future upgrades and administrative updates, such as a change of mailing or email address. Most current licensees, therefore, will not be charged the new FCC application fee until they renew their license or

apply for a new vanity call sign."

ARRL previously reported that the new \$35 application fee for amateur radio licenses will become effective on April 19, 2022.

Further information and instructions about the FCC Application Fee are available from the ARRL VEC page at, <https://www.arrl.org/fcc-application-fee> .

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Volunteer Monitor Program Cautions against Operating Beyond License Privileges

03/03/2022

Many of the Advisory Notices sent out each month by the ARRL [Volunteer Monitor Program](#) go to stations heard operating outside the operator's license privileges.

Typical cases often involve operators holding Technician- or General-class amateur licenses being heard on a frequency or band not permitted by their license privileges. Most recent incidents have frequently entailed FT8 digital mode operation by Technician licensees on 20 and 40 meters. Technician licensees do not have any operating privileges on 20 meters, let alone digital privileges, and FT8 is a digital protocol.

Technicians (and Novices) may operate CW between 21.025 and 21.200 MHz on 15 meters, from 7.025 and 7.125 MHz on 40 meters, and from 3.525 to 3.600 MHz on 80 meters, but they do not have *any* digital (data) mode privileges on these bands.

ARRL Volunteer Monitor Program Administrator Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH, said licensees who need a refresher course regarding their operating privileges may refer to Section 97.301 of the rules. ARRL also has a convenient chart on its [website](#) that details privileges available to all license classes, from Novice to Amateur Extra.

As monthly Volunteer Monitor reports indicate, some General-class operators have lost their way on some bands too, and Advisory Notices have gone out to those operating outside of the General-class phone subbands. For example, on 20 meters, Generals may operate phone from 14.225 to 14.350 MHz, but occasionally, General-class operators are heard outside of that subband. On 40 meters, the phone and image subband open to General licensees is 7.175 to 7.300 MHz. Of course, Technician- and General-class licensees may operate CW on any subband on which they have operating privileges, although operation within the CW subbands is preferred by band plan.

On 10 meters, Technicians have RTTY and data privileges — including FT8 — from 28.000 to 28.300 MHz, and SSB phone privileges from 28.300 to 28.500 MHz, and may operate on CW over the entire 28.0000 – 28.500 MHz segment. Technicians may enjoy all operating privileges at 50 MHz and above.

The ARRL Volunteer Monitor program is a formal agreement between the FCC and ARRL. Volunteers trained and vetted by ARRL monitor the airwaves and report evidence that may be used to correct errant operation or to recognize exemplary on-air operation. <http://www.arrl.org/news/volunteer-monitor-program-cautions-against-operating-beyond-license-privileges>

If you have something for the newsletter, please send it to me before the 25th of the month.

See you at a meeting.

73

John, W3ML

